

I heartily protest Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. This is clearly an example of the dangers of media consolidation.

I protest this latest example of one-sided and biased "journalism." It is obvious that Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Now that such large companies control the airwaves, we are getting more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy.

A large grocery chain in Maine has today called for responsive action by Sinclair to drop its plans to air the program or face the consequences of many, many citizens who decry this blatant political maneuver. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Citizens who are clearly overlooked can, and will, take many steps to restore a balanced commentary to our lives.